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TATO, F

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For: METHOD FOR THE SELECTIVE PROTECTION OF PROLIFERATING
NORMAL CELLS AND THE SELECTIVE ERADICATION OF TUMOR CELLS
HAVING AN INACTIVE P53 PATHWAY

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February 13, 2003

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Sir:

RENEWED REQUEST FOR STATUS UNDER 37 CFR §1.42

This is responsive to a decision dated December 30, 2002 pointing out certain defects in the previous request to process this application under the provisions of Rule 42.

Attached is a Declaration under Rule 63 signed by the three legal representatives of deceased inventor Franco Tato as well as inventors Zanetti and Grossi.

It is submitted that this revised Declaration addresses the questions and issues raised in the communication of December 30, 2002 and the request to grant status under 37 CFR §1.42 should be granted.

If there are any questions, please contact the undersigned by telephone.

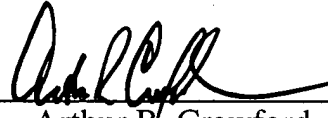
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